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Oil Pipeline Damaged in McKenzie County; 400 Barrels of Oil Released

BISMARCK, N.D. – On February 13, the North Dakota Department of Health was notified of a release of oil from a pipeline in western North Dakota about nine miles north of Alexander, N.D. An underground pipeline owned by Targa was struck and damaged, causing the pipeline to leak approximately 400 barrels of crude oil. Most of the oil was contained in a trench being dug at the pipeline site. The company estimated that five to ten barrels of oil overflowed from the trench, but is being contained by berms. Liquid oil was removed from the excavation by vacuum trucks and the impacted soil will be removed from the site.

A North Dakota Department of Health inspector is on location and will coordinate with Targa regarding clean-up. For more information, contact Kris Roberts, North Dakota Department of Health at 701.328.5236.

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